

HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION 9

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A RESOLUTION to recognize Freddie "Fred" Lee Goins on the occasion of his retirement.

WHEREAS, it is appropriate that we should honor those citizens who have performed with uncommon devotion and enthusiasm throughout their years of industry; and

WHEREAS, Freddie "Fred" Lee Goins is one such estimable person who has served Blount County Schools with distinction over the past forty-five years, including as an educator, a school principal, and a member of the Blount County Board of Education; and

WHEREAS, a career educator with Blount County Schools, Mr. Goins entered the teaching profession in 1977 as a classroom teacher at Rocky Branch Elementary School, where he taught third, fourth, and fifth grades; he later taught sixth, seventh, and eighth grades at Binfield, where he was named Teacher of the Year in 1987; and

WHEREAS, in 1988, Fred Goins was named principal of Eagleton Elementary School, and three years later, he became principal of Townsend Elementary School, which was recognized for academic growth in 1993 by the State of Tennessee and received national recognition from President George W. Bush in 2001; and

WHEREAS, in 2006, Principal Goins was called upon to lead Carpenters Elementary School, which also attained academic success under his guidance, receiving Reward School honors for achievement in growth by the Tennessee Department of Education; and

WHEREAS, after capably serving generations of the children of Blount County, Fred Goins took his well-deserved retirement from Blount County Schools in 2013, having served twenty-five years as a principal; and

WHEREAS, continuing his commitment to public education, Mr. Goins won election to the Blount County Board of Education in 2014 and subsequently has won reelection, rendering sterling service to his community as exhibited by his hard work and dedication; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Goins is a proud graduate of the University of Tennessee, having received his master's degree in 1983, and is a member of Phi Sigma Kappa Fraternity; and

WHEREAS, Fred Goins exemplifies the spirit and allegiance to family and community that are characteristic of a true Tennessean; and

WHEREAS, throughout his estimable career, Fred Goins has demonstrated the utmost professionalism, ability, and integrity, winning the unbridled respect and admiration of his colleagues and the citizens of Blount County; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE HUNDRED THIRTEENTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE SENATE CONCURRING, that we extend to Freddie "Fred" Lee Goins our heartfelt wishes for a happy and fulfilling retirement and every continued success in his future endeavors.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy and upon proper request made to the appropriate clerk, the language appearing immediately following the State seal appear without House or Senate designation.